



Temporary Encampment Comparison Table

This survey was originally conducted by the City of Mercer Island for their code development process. It has been fact checked and updated here for use in this city's own process.

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<i>Specific Code Section for Temporary Encampments?</i>	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.	No.
<i>Minimum Time Application must be Submitted Prior to Arrival.</i>	75 days.	None specified.	None specified.	None specified.	None specified.	30 days.	30 days.
<i>Time Limit for Returning.</i>	18 months. One encampment allowed at a time.	18 months.	12 months.	None specified.	365 days.	365 days.	12 months. One encampment allowed at a time.
<i>Length of Stay.</i>	90 days. Additional 5 days may be granted to move on a weekend.	60 days. Consent decree allows for 90 days.	90 days. Additional weekend if 90 th day is a Friday.	90 days.	92 days.	110 days.	90 days.
<i>Encampment Setback from Abutting Properties.</i>	20 feet.	20 feet.	20 feet.	None specified.	20 feet.	Discretionary.	Discretionary.
<i>Sight Obscuring Fence or Screening Required?</i>	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Discretionary.	Yes.
<i>Lighting Regulation?</i>	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Discretionary.	No.

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<i>Maximum Number of Residents at Encampment.</i>	100.	100.	None specified.	100.	100.	100.	100.
<i>Parking Requirements at Site?</i>	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.
<i>Proximity to transit Required?</i>	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Discretionary.	Yes.
<i>Children Prohibited from Staying in Encampment?</i>	Yes. Unless accompanied by parent or guardian.	Yes.	No.	No.	Yes.	Discretionary.	No.
<i>Code of Conduct for Persons in Encampment?</i>	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Discretionary.	Yes.
<i>Specific Health, Safety and Fire Protections Apply?</i>	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Discretionary.	Yes.
<i>Identification, and Warrant and Sex Offender Checks Required For Persons at Encampment?</i>	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Discretionary.	Yes.
<i>Inspections Required?</i>	Yes.	No.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Discretionary.	Yes.
<i>Is Notice Provided to Neighbors Prior to Decision?</i>	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.
<i>Must Notify, and Meet and Confer with Nearby Schools and Daycares?</i>	Yes. 600 feet.	Yes. 600 feet.	Yes. 600 feet.	No.	No.	No.	No.
<i>Can There be Immediate Enforcement of Violations?</i>	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.

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<i>Are There Any Penalties for Violating Codes or Agreement?</i>	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.
<i>Is there a provision for hold harmless / indemnification for City taxpayers?</i>	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.
<i>Process For People Evicted From Tent City?</i>	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.